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1. RIVERS CONTINUE TO RISE IN THE NORTH COAST DISASTER
AREA. LATEST WEATHER REPORTS INDICATE THAT HEAVY RAINS
AND THUNDER SHOWERS IN THE AREA WILL DIMINISH IN NEXT
18-24 HOURS AND SHOULD SLACKEN TOWARD EVENING.

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2. FORDS ON ROAD BETWEEN SAN PEDRO SULA AND PUERTO CORTES HAVE BEEN FLOODED OUT, CUTTING OFF TPKE FLOW OF FUEL TO THE REST OF THE COUNTRY. BOTH RIO BLANCO AND RIO BERMEJO REPORTED VERY HIGH.

3. A TRACTOR TRAILER WENT THROUGH BAILEY BRIDGE OVER SAUCE RIVER CONNECTING S.P.S. TO LA MESA AIRPORT. DRIVER KILLED. UNABLE AT THIS TIME TO ESTIMATE DAMAGE AS BROKEN SECTION IS COMPLETELY UNDERWATER. HOWEVER, SAN PEDRO IS NOT CUT OFF FROM LA MESA AS A LONG DETOUR DOES EXIST VIA BUFELO AND LA LIMA, BUT ROAD IS NOT SURFACED MAKING TRANSIT VERY DIFFICULT.

4. IN SPS CITY COLONIAS FESITRANH, JARDINES DEL VALLE AND UNIVERSIDAD HAVE BEEN EVACUATED AS FLOOD DANGERS INCREASE. AT JARDINES, FOUR BULLDOZERS ARE AT WORK ON DIKE WITH WATER LEVEL PRESENTLY 30 INCHES BELOW FLOOD STAGE.

5. THERE HAVE BEEN TWO SLIDES ON THE ROAD BETWEEN TEGUCIGALPA AND SAN PEDRO SULA BUT THE ROAD REMAINS OPEN.

6. IN THE AGUAN VALLEY, THE TEMPORARY BRIDGES IN THE ELIXIR-ISLETA AREA HAVE BEEN WASHED OUT.

7. UNCONFIRMED REPORT FROM DURANGO IN NORTHERN AGUAN REPORTS POSSIBLE TYPHOID EPIDEMIC THAT AREA. MISSION WILL CHECK AND CONFIRM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

8. CHOLOMA RIVER IS RISING QUICKLY BUT HAS NOT REPEAT NOT YET FLOODED, HOWEVER THERE IS CONSIDERABLE RAIN WATER STANDING IN THE CITY.
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